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VOLUME 9: PERSONIFICATION
Tique-tique
BY MITSU NANAE
READ, ENJOY, AND GO HYPER!

THIS IS NO LEGENDARY WATCH! WHAT A JOKE!
I PAID LOTS OF MONEY BECAUSE I HEARD THAT IT WOULD APPEAR IN THE FORM OF A GIRL IN FRONT OF ITS CHOSEN MASTER!
ISN'T IT JUST ANY OLD BROKEN WATCH?!
I ONLY CAME TO THROW AWAY SOME RUBBISH!
IF YOU CAN DO ANY-THING, THEN GO AHEAD AND TRY!
WELL, WE'LL MEND IT THEN
THE EARL IS ACT-ING THE SAME AS USUAL
WELL THEN..
LOUIS
CAN YOU DO THIS JOB?
EH?!

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ALSO KNOWN AS "LA PUCETTE".
THUMBELINA...
SHE'S BEAUTIFUL
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YOU'VE BEEN KEEPING TIME FOR TWO HUNDRED YEARS.
OF COURSE YOU'D WANT TO TAKE IT EASY
YES YES
BUT BECAUSE YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL,
YOU'D BE MORE CHARMING IF YOU WERE WORKING
DON'T YOU THINK SO?
AH, THAT'S IT! I'LL CALL YOU...
MARY...
A. A.
ANNOYING!
!!?

I MUST HAVE FAINTED..
HEY, YOU...
AHH
IT WAS SO ANNOYING, I COULDN'T TAKE IT!
THAT SEEMS TO BE THE CASE
Rakie...
I'VE SAID SO SEVERAL TIMES! I WAS JUST TEASING THAT BALDIE!
WELL...
SO SHE'S NOT BROKEN THEN?
HA HA HA!
I'M PUCETTE!
AS IF I WOULD GO BACK TO THAT OLD RACCOON!
DON'T SAY THAT, MARY
DEFINITELY NOT!!
HMM~ IN THAT CASE, WE SHOULD RETURN HER TO THE EARL SOON...
TAKE YOUR TIME TALKING TO THIS PRINCESS.
I'LL LEAVE THIS TO YOU
LOUIS

THAT'S NOT IT, LOUIS!
THIS ONE?
THAT SPRING!
THAT ONE!
MAS-TER~!
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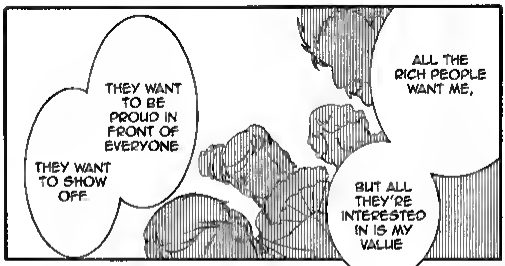
TO BE HONEST, THIS SITUATION IS BEYOND MY UNDER-STANDING
I'M DEFI-NITELY NOT GOING BACK!
Don't give up!
ARE YOU ALWAYS LIKE THAT?
GIVING ALL THE WATCHES NAMES...
TALKING TO THEM...
CHEERING THEM ON AND APO-LOGISING...
HMM?
YOU'RE RIGHT!
HAROLD STARTED WORKING AGAIN!
THANK YOU, MARY!
I'm so excited!
Wow! That's great, Harold!

YOU'RE STRANGE.
WATCHES ARE JUST OBJECTS, RIGHT?
WELL, OBJECTS HAVE THEIR OWN SENSE OF PRIDE
LIKE PUTTING A TWO HUNDRED YEAR OLD WATCH LIKE ME ON THE SAME CUSHION AS THOSE CHEAP WATCHES HURTS MY FEELINGS
AH..
SORRY
BUT IN THIS CASE,
I WONDER IF THERE IS ANY NEED TO TREAT THEM AS MORE VALUABLE THAN THEY ARE
AH,
YOU'RE SO STRAIGHT-FORWARD
OBJECTS ARE OBJECTS
I HEARD THAT MY WATCH HAD BEEN FIXED
EXCUSE ME
MRS HARKER!
IT'S READY!

AH. I'M GLAD.
THIS IS A MEMENTO OF MY FATHER
I'M SO HAPPY...
I DON'T THINK IT'S ABOUT HOW MUCH IT'S WORTH
ALL WATCHES ARE CARED FOR BY THEIR OWNERS
I CAN'T SAY ONE IS MORE SPECIAL THAN ANOTHER
I CAN'T THINK OF THEM AS JUST WATCHES


THEY WANT TO BE PROUD IN FRONT OF EVERYONE
THEY WANT TO SHOW OFF
ALL THE RICH PEOPLE WANT ME,
BUT ALL THEY'RE INTERESTED IN IS MY VALUE

MARY

DON'T CRY
IT'S OKAY

NOBODY HAS HONESTLY CONSIDERED ME SPECIAL
LIKE THAT

EVEN YOU ARE THOUGHT OF AS SPECIAL
I'M NOT!

I'M SURE EVEN THE EARL WILL THINK OF YOU AS SPECIAL.
IF YOU SHOW HOW LOVELY YOU ARE NOW,
OH REALLY?
THERE'S NO NEED TO SAY THAT!
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AH, OF COURSE I LIKE YOU AS A WATCH TOO!
AH~ HOW AMAZING!
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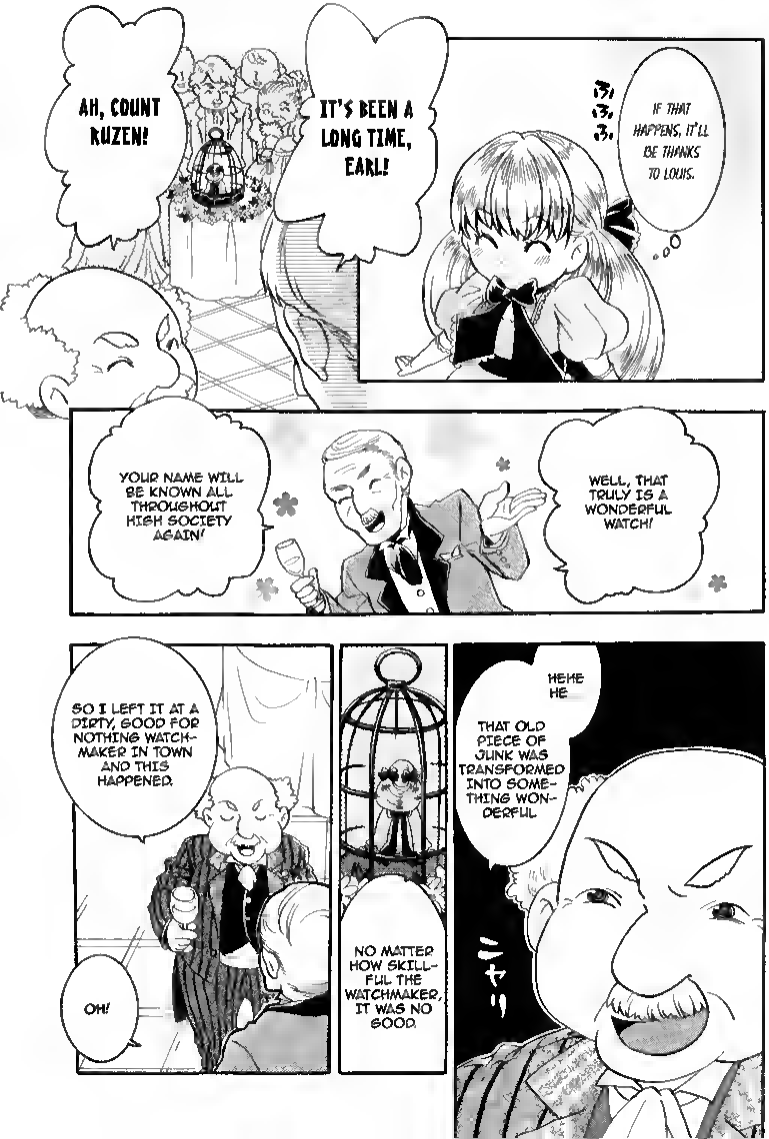
HEY, WHAT TIME IS IT NOW?
Hehe.
How lovely.
IS THIS REALLY A WATCH?
IT MUST HAVE BEEN EXPENSIVE!
AMAZING! JUST WHAT I'D EXPECT FROM THE EARL!
RIGHT ON TIME!
AH!
7:58 PM AND 40 SECONDS.
I'M GLAD..
HE LOOKS HAPPY...
IF I BEHAVE AND CONTINUE TO BE LOVED LIKE THIS...
THEN EVEN HE WILL HONESTLY CONSIDER ME SPECIAL


AH, COUNT RUZEN!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, EARL!
HEHE HE
IF THAT HAPPENS, IT'LL BE THANKS TO LOUIS.
YOUR NAME WILL BE KNOWN ALL THROUGHOUT HIGH SOCIETY AGAIN!
WELL, THAT TRULY IS A WONDERFUL WATCH!
SO I LEFT IT AT A DIRTY, GOOD FOR NOTHING WATCH-MAKER IN TOWN AND THIS HAPPENED.
OH!
NO MATTER HOW SKILL-FUL THE WATCHMAKER, IT WAS NO GOOD.
HEHE HE
THAT OLD PIECE OF JUNK WAS TRANSFORMED INTO SOME-THING WON-DERFUL
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NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT!
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WELL, RUBBISH BELONGS WITH OTHER RUBBISH, RIGHT?
I'VE FORGOTTEN THAT PIECE OF RUBBISH
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WATCHMAKER? OH MY! WHAT COULD YOU BE TALKING ABOUT?
YOU OWE THAT WATCHMAKER A GREAT DEAL THEN!
FROM NOW ON, THAT WATCH WILL BE A TOOL TO INCREASE MY REPUTATION.
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EH...?
SCREECH
OH, WHAT COULD THAT BE?
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WHA...
WHAT IS THIS?!
AHH!
THE GRAND-FATHER CLOCK...!
IT'S TURNING THE OPPOSITE WAY!
WHAT THE?!
!?
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AH!
MY WATCH TOO!
KYAA!
SNAP
BANG
PUCETTE.
DID YOU DO THIS?!
IF
!!

IF YOU MAKE A FOOL OF LOUIS,
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU!
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HEY...
HEY, DON'T COME NEAR ME! I'LL BREAK YOU!
I DON'T CARE!
IF I BREAK
I'LL GET LOUIS TO FIX ME!
AHH~!!

AH
long hand
EA..
EARL !!
THAT WAS TOO MUCH, MARY~!
IT FELT GOOD!
BUT I COULDN'T FORGIVE HIM FOR SPEAKING LIKE THAT!

DEMON?!
AH~

IT SEEMS AS IF THE WHOLE OF HIGH SOCIETY IS CALLING HER "THE DEMON WATCH"
WELL... THE OTHER WATCHES WERE FIXED UP FINE, SO IT DOESN'T MATTER
Thank you.

IT'S BECAUSE YOU TOLD ME TO SHOW MYSELF!
EH?
IT'S YOUR FAULT, LOUIS

I'M NOT CALLED PUCETTE ANYMORE
Is that okay Pucette?

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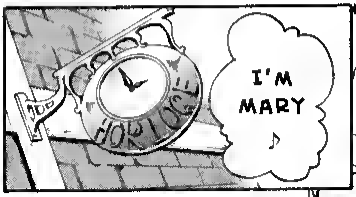
ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY..


I'M MARY ♪

AND TAKE CARE OF ME!

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Thank you very much! Come to think of it, when I was in high school I'd thought up a personification story about a convenience store, so writing this brought back memories. It was fun!

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